Amount to Assam University etc. under non-lapsable Central pool of Resources

1749. DR. (SMT.) JOYASREE GOSWAMI MAHANTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether an amount of Rs. 64 crores has been recommended for UT Guwahati; Tezpur Central University ; Assam University and DIPHU-Campus of Assam University, Silchar under non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources; and

(b) if so, whether the above amount is in addition to the 10 per cent of the Ministry's plan budget required to be spent for the North-East and whether the Ministry has actually spent this 10 per cent for the North-East during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) The following project proposals have been recommended for funds from recently set up Non-Lapsable Central Pool:

(i)	IIT, Guwahati	—	Rs. 34 crores
(ii)	Tezpur Central University	—	Rs. 10 crores
(iii)	Assam University	—	Rs. 10 crores
(iv)	DIPHU Campus	—	Rs. 3 crores

(b) The Ministry has not spent 10% of its plan budget for 1999- 2000 on the North-East. A Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources for the North-Eastern States is envisaged by crediting to it unspent amounts from 10% earmarked funds in the budgets of various Central Ministries/Departments.

Discontinuation of active rural literacy projects of Madhya Pradesh

†1750. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the active rural literacy projects in Madhya Pradesh have been discontinued since 1991, as a result of fresh initiative taken by the Centre;

(b) if so, whether due to non-absorption of officers/employees in the said projects till date, their pending travelling dues are yet to be paid to them;

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(c) if so, whether Stale Government has sent proposals to the Centre for sanction of travelling expenditure incurred by said offices/ employees; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir

(d) The State Government had proposed payment of pending travelling dues amounting to Rs. 16,53,503/- out of the funds sanctioned under the scheme of Strengthening of Administrative Structures. It was clarified to the State Government that Strengthening of Administrative Structures was a separate scheme and liabilities of one scheme cannot be transferred to another scheme. However, clarifications in regard to pending dues were called for from the State Government in November, 1995 which are awaited.

Grants to NGOs by the Ministry of HRD

†1751. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of grants provided to Non-Governmental Organisations by the Ministry during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether any machinery has been set up by the Ministry to monitor proper utilisation of the amount of grant; if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations found involved in misappropriation of the amount during the last three years and the action taken against them; and

(d) what system is proposed to be introduced to check such misappropriation in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

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